

KARO-ECHO Board Meeting

01/05/22

via Zoom

Attendees:

Howdy Goudey	KE6BEE
Frans Kuypers	KJ6IUV
Annette McCoubrey	KJ6SWK
Tom Fattaruso	KN6BUY
Blake Yeaman	KN6CMP
Don Simon	NI6A
Hal Graboske	KK6NDF

Proposed agenda:

- What do we want to accomplish next year
- Online payment status
- Composition of Board (non-elected positions)
- Revitalizing subcommittees
- MOU update, if feedback from Pigoni
- Soliciting others to take on roles (like net manager, newsletter, committee heads, etc.)
- 25th anniversary
- Discuss Member meeting agenda below

Topics discussed:

Memorandum of Understanding

- MOU has been sent to the fire chief, his response was positive but he requested that we work with Kevin James.

- We should confirm that we are not asking for money.
- The fire department has no room for a meeting place for us so inquiries need to go to the El Cerrito Parks and Recreation department.
- The most realistic thing we can expect from the fire department is for them to endorse our mission.

Treasury/Dues payment

- Signed documents for account access were taken to the bank, we will have access to the account soon.
- The P.O. box contained 5 mailed dues payments.
- The backup P.O. box key was passed from Hal to Howdy.
- The backup bank token was passed from Natalie to Tom a year ago and has now been passed to Annette.

Board members

- Who should be board members was discussed. The conclusion was it should be the four elected officers, member(s) at large, the webmaster, and heads of standing committees.
- Hal was appointed to be a “member at large” and approved by a vote.

Subcommittees

- Existing subcommittees are named on the website but there has been little committee action recently.
- How can we revitalize our committees?.
- We should review the existing committees and the members at the upcoming membership meeting.
- Ask for volunteers for committee members, emergency coordinator, newsletter editor, etc. at the membership meeting and in the newsletter.

25th Anniversary

- Ask Marion about early KE history.
- What should we do for our 25th anniversary?

Website “Join” form

- Rob has made suggestions for changes, ask for any additional suggestions and have the changes implemented.
- Changes should still leave the record of the responses in the same spreadsheet format as before.

In-person Meeting location

- We would like to get an answer from El Cerrito or Kensington before investigating other possible in-person meeting locations.
- Having a connection with the El Cerrito City Council and the city manager is important, we should stress what service we provide.

“Treasure Hunt”

- A review of the ‘treasure hunt’ will be made at the membership meeting.